THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINN VAGHELA): (a) to (e) The textiles industry accounts for 14% of the industrial production of the country and the textile sector accounts for about 15% of the total exports as per latest available data.

Due to absence of an exclusive classification code for handloom products in the Harmonised System of International Trade Classification [ITC (HS)], adopted since 1.4.2003, exclusive data pertaining to handloom products has not been generated after April, 2003. However, as per the statistics available for the financial years 1997-98 to 2002-03, as tabulated below, there was no decline in the value of exports of handloom products:-

Year	Total Exports of handloom products (Rs. in Crores)
1997-98	1840.05
1998-99	1918.34
1999-00	1980.05
2000-01	2127.45
2001-02	2064.94
2002-03	2633.27

Pending cases of compensation to farmers

*240. SHRl T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pending cases where compensation has not been paid yet to those farmers whose land was used for mining for defence purpose after the militant attack on Parliament; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and number of farmers affected thereto?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY): (a) and (b) For occupation of lands during Operation Parakram, the number of farmers for whom compensation is yet to be released to Deputy Commissioners are approximately 790 in Districts Jammu and Poonch of J and K and Districts Gurdaspur and Ferozepur of Punjab.

Government has sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,96,93,230/- in June/July, 2007 for payment as compensation to approximately 684 farmers in Districts Ferozepur and Jammu. This amount will be placed shortly with concerned Deputy Commissioners by the Defence Estate officers.

For the remaining cases in Districts Jammu, Poonch and Gurdaspur, the formalities for assessing/sanctioning of compensation are under way.